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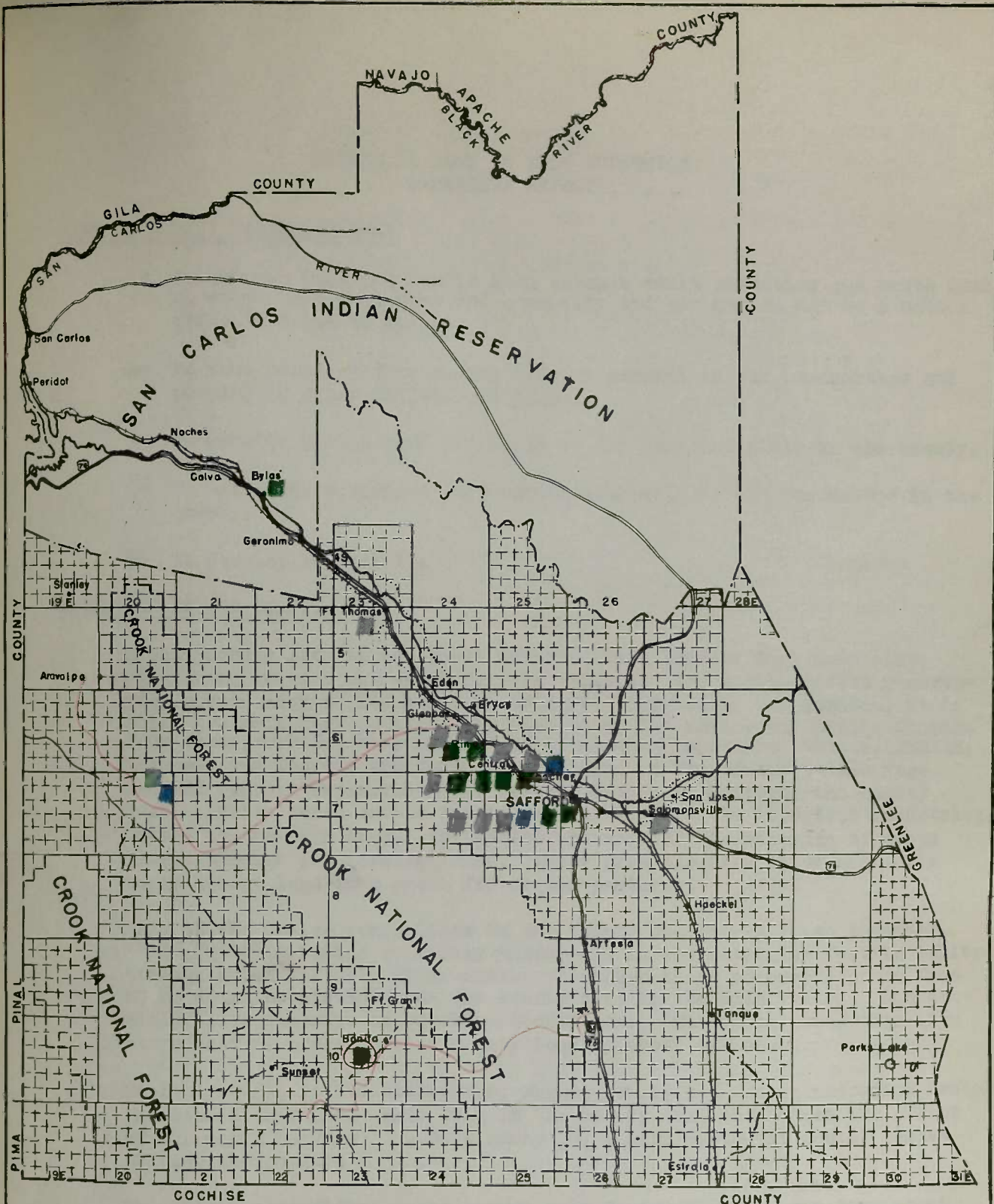
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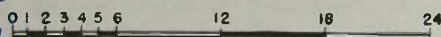


- - Homemaker Clubs
- Thatcher - 1
- Safford - 1
- Klondyke - 1

- R.D.S. Relief Societies
- Ft. Thomas - 1
- Klondyke - 1
- Pima - 2
- Safford - 3
- Central - 1
- Solum - 1
- Thatcher - 2

## GRAHAM COUNTY, ARIZONA

SCALE IN MILES



- Home Economic's
- 4-H Clubs - 10
- Bonita - 1
- Bylas - 1
- Pima - 2
- Safford - 2
- Thatcher - 4

GRAHAM COUNTY  
EXTENSION WORK IN HOME ECONOMICS  
NARRATIVE REPORT

AIMS OF COUNTY EXTENSION WORK

- 1- To improve home and family life through adult education and youth work in order that each home and community and our nation may be a better place in which to live.
- 2- To make better understanding between persons in our communities and peoples of other nations and races.
- 3- To make 4- H Club work available to all boys and girls in the county.
- 4- To make home economics information available to all homemakers in the county.
- 5- To develop leadership.

SITUATION IN THE COUNTY

Graham County lies in southeast Arizona, in a land of high mountains, stretching deserts and small fertile valleys. The Apache Indian reservation covers much of its northern country. Settled by the Mormons, it is still predominantly populated by members of the Latter Day Saints Church. Four races,--white, red, brown, and black work together. Whites, Indian, Mexicans and Negroes are found in any town. A few of the yellow race own and operate restaurants and grocery stores in Safford, the County seat. Agriculture, cattle raising and mining are the important industries. Cotton is the main crop. Irrigation systems for the watering of crops thread through all farming lands. Water from the Gila River and wells turns desert land into green fields and pastures.

Nine of the twelve communities in the county are fairly close together, being within a radius of thirty miles--all in the naturally fertile valley through which the Gila River runs. The other three communities are from 60 to 80 miles distant from the county seat in the Gila Valley. One community lies close to the Cochise County line. The ranch people who live there tend to use a Cochise County town as their outlet.

Entirely rural in its atmosphere, Graham County has one main trading center--the town of Safford. This town is the county seat and houses the office of Extension Service. U. S. Highway 70, a main east-west route, passes through the county.

The county agriculture agent serves only Graham County. The home agent served both Graham and Greenlee County, with headquarters in Safford, from December 1 until August 17. Since August 19th the home agent has served only Graham County.

EXTENSION ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING

The homemakers in three communities were organized into clubs for the purpose of carrying on home economics extension work. One club was made up of homemakers in the ranching area, 50 to 65 miles from the county seat of Safford. One club was made up of young homemakers in Safford, and the other club of homemakers in the Thatcher Community. These clubs



met regularly each month. The home agent met with each club three times during the year -- once to help organize and plan their program activities for the year, and twice to give the subject matter lesson.

Other clubs, particularly the Relief Societies of the Latter Day Saints church have made use of extension information through the services of the home agent, bulletins, and mimeographed materials. The lesson leaders from five of these societies regularly obtained informational materials from the home agent. The home agent met with the St. Joseph and Mt. Graham Stake Work Leaders and discussed plans for their 1957-58 Relief Society Lessons on money management. She gave them references and sources for obtaining material for their use during their training meetings and by their ward work leaders. She also lent them some materials from her files. On another occasion Miss Grace Ryan, home management specialist for the Arizona Extension Service and the County home agent met with the St. Joseph Stake Work Leader and her Ward Work Leader. Information was given as to the services and materials available for these leaders from the Extension Service.

The extension homemakers clubs meetings are open to every homemaker. The services of the home agent and the extension publications are available to each homemaker who desires this information and help.

Each club was organized with their own officers - president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and one or two subject matter leaders for each lesson. The officers had the responsibility of directing the activities and business of the club and in cooperating in the county council and its activities. The subject matter leaders had the responsibilities of attending the leader training meeting, preparation of the lesson and giving it for members of their club.

The secretary of each club sent a report with information about their club meetings to the extension office.

#### COUNTY COUNCIL

The Homemaker's county Council was organized for the purpose of planning and carrying on joint activities and programs.

During the spring meeting of the County Homemakers Association it was voted to have a representative group serve as the County Homemakers Council. Each homemakers club sent their club president and two other representatives to serve on the council.

Officers who served during the past year were:

President . . . . .	Mrs. Clyde Ledford (Safford Club)
Vice President . . . . .	Mrs. Albert Carpenter (Eden Community)
Secretary-Treasurer . . . . .	Mrs. John Hollowell (Safford Club)
Reporter . . . . .	Mrs. Raymond Pointer (Thatcher Club)



1957 - Officers for the County Homemaker's Council.

The newly organized County Council held two meetings - one in August 1st and one November 1st. Plans for and revision of constitution and by-laws were made to bring them up-to-date.



1957 County Council during November meeting: - Francelle Ledford, Avonelle Hollowell, Maybelle Carpenter, Virginia Thompson, Gertrude Pointer and Cressa Nelson. Representatives - Charlotte Weathersby, Lela Claridge and Audrey Kuykendall from Aravaipa Club were absent.

Officers for County Homemakers Council to serve during 1958 were elected and installed during the November Council meeting. They are:

President. . . . .Mrs. E. R. Nelson (Thatcher)  
Vice President . . . . .Mrs. J. D. Williams (Aravaipa)  
Secretary-Treasurer . . .Mrs. John Hollowell (Safford)  
Reporter . . . . .Mrs. Raymond Pointer (Thatcher)



Picture of 1958 County Council Officers -- Gertrude Pointer, Avenelle Hollowell, and Cressa Nelson being installed by the home agent, Mildred Eaton. Rachael Williams, county vice president was absent.

#### NATIONAL HOME DEMONSTRATION WEEK

The County Homemakers held their spring meeting May 10 in the Legion Hall from 10:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. during National Home Demonstration Week. During the morning business session Miss Jean Stewart, state leader of home economics extension, discussed county councils - their purpose, responsibilities, membership, and how they operated. The delegates from the three homemaker clubs in the county discussed the advantages and disadvantages of organizing a county council. It was decided to organize a Graham County Homemakers' Council August first, with each club represented by their president, secretary, and one other delegate. After a "pot-luck" luncheon the clubs presented their skits and entertainment.

Each of the Homemaker Clubs set up a window display featuring some phase of their work during the past year. The Aravaipa homemakers set up a display of sewing cabinets in the Klondyke Store. The Thatcher homemakers set up a sewing center with sewing machine, ironing board and sewing cabinet in the Sears Roebuck Store Window. Safford homemakers set up a

display showing ways of making the home attractive through use of fabrics - window treatments.

The president of each of the three homemaker clubs was interviewed by the home agent for broadcast May 4th over Station KGHU, from 10:00 to 10:15 A.M. The ladies discussed program and activities during the past year, plans for this fall, and their Window displays in observance of National Home Demonstration Week.

#### COUNTRY LIFE CONFERENCE

The Country Life Conference folders were mailed to all extension homemakers, County Cowbells, and other interested homemakers by the office secretary.

Information about the conference -- dates, place, and program was included as a part of the home agent's weekly newspaper columns. The home agent wrote an article giving specific details about program subjects, speakers, and activities planned for the homemakers.

The home agent and assistant home agent interviewed Miss Jean Stewart, State leader of home economics extension work, regarding her plans for Country Life Conference. Information was also given in regard to registration, place of residence while at the University, and fees. A tape recording was made of this interview for broadcast Saturday morning, April 13, over Safford Station KGHU (10 am).

None of the homemakers in Graham County were able to attend Country Life Conference this year. It is hard for ranch women to be away from home during April; several of the other homemakers had young babies or were involved in other meetings.

The home agent was unable to attend this year due to conflicts with 4-H activities in the two counties. She was disappointed not to be able to attend, and resolves not to allow county activities to keep her away in the future.

#### OFFICER TRAINING

The training meeting for Homemaker Club and County Officers in Graham and Greenlee Counties was held January 18 in the Safford First Baptist Church. After a brief introduction the ladies were divided into two groups for training. Miss Jean Stewart, state leader of home economics extension work, met with the presidents and vice presidents and assisted them in better understanding their duties and responsibilities of office and work of extension clubs. The home agent assisted the club and county secretaries in understanding their work -- the writing of their minutes and what should be included; the reporters in writing news stories; and the treasurers in keeping record of finances.

The afternoon was given to the study of parliamentary procedure. Miss Stewart discussed procedures while showing slides about parliamentary



action. The bulletin - "Madam Chairman" - was distributed to all ladies present. A model business meeting was held during the rest of the afternoon, giving the ladies an opportunity to actually practice and participate in various types of procedures -- tabling a motion, voting one down, losing a motion for lack of a second, putting a motion, discussing problems. The Greenlee County President demonstrated how to proceed when the president wanted to step out of office to speak or made a motion on some subject.

#### PROGRAM PLANNING

The 1957 program was planned in October 1956 during a county meeting of representatives from each club in the county, and by a two county committee which coordinated the program desires of the two counties --- Graham and Greenlee --- into one program.

The home agent assisted in organizing the homemakers program booklets. The Greenlee County Office Secretary mimeographed them. The following is a copy of the program booklet used during 1957:--

GRAHAM - GREENLEE COUNTY

HOMEMAKERS PROGRAM

1957



Name ----

Address -

Club ----

HOMEMAKERS CLUBS

in

GREENLEE AND GRAHAM COUNTIES

Cooperating with

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

and the

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA EXTENSION SERVICE

## EXTENSION LEADERS

### National

Secretary of Agriculture. . . . . Ezra T. Benson  
 Director of Federal Agricultural Extension Service. . . . . C. M. Ferguson

### State

Director of Arizona Extension Service. . . . . Charles U. Fickrell  
 Assistant Director of Extension Service. . . . . Howard R. Baker  
 State Leader of Home Demonstration Work. . . . . Jean M. Stewart  
 Specialists ---  
   Clothing. . . . . Helen L. Church  
   Foods and Nutrition . . . . . June Gibbs  
   Home Management and furnishings . . . . . Grace Ryan  
   Home Demonstration Agent-at-large . . . . .  
   State 4-H Club Leader. . . . . Graham F. Wright  
   Assistant State 4-H Leader . . . . .

### County

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 Greenlee County Extension Office - Duncan, Arizona . . . . . Phone 2691  
  
 Graham County Agricultural Agent . . . . . John L. Sears  
 Greenlee County Agricultural Agent . . . . . Ernest A. Foster  
  
 Graham County Office Secretary . . . . . Mrs. Lorris Galusha  
 Greenlee County Office Secretary . . . . . Mrs. Flossie Santee



# OFFICERS FOR COUNTY HOMEMAKER'S COUNCILS

## Greenlee County

President . . . . Mrs. E. C. Munkres (Flora) - Box 604, Morenci  
 Vice President . . Mrs. James Forehand (Faye) - Box 493, Clifton  
 Secretary . . . . Mrs. Tom Enrico (Betty) - Box 1305, Morenci  
 Treasurer . . . . Mrs. Frank Willis (Frances) Duncan  
 Reporter . . . . Mrs. Orvel Parks (Bernice) 1 R1, Box 1063, Morenci

## Graham County

President . . . . Mrs. Claude Ledford (Francelle) - Thatcher, (Safford)  
 Vice President . . Mrs. Albert Carpenter (Maybelle) - Eden  
 Secretary & Treasurer - Mrs. Bryce Sanders (Vera) - Thatcher (Thatcher)  
 Reporter . . . . .

CLUB OFFICERS, LEADERS, & COMMITTEES

President \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

Leaders:

Foods \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \_\_\_\_\_

Home Management \_\_\_\_\_

Home Furnishings \_\_\_\_\_

Committees:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CLUB ENROLLMENT

Name

Address

Phone No.

## J A N U A R Y M E E T I N G

Date of Meeting -

Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Program Plans -- Organization of Work for 1957 - selection of hostesses and leaders

### SPECIAL MEETINGS

January 18 -- Training Meeting for Club and County Officers in Graham and Greenlee Counties, 10 am to 3 pm.

January 19 -- Graham County 4-H Club Officers Training Meeting at Safford Courthouse

-- Meeting of County Council Officers

January 30 -- Informational Meeting for Home Agents at University

January 22-24 -- Home Agent in Morenci - York Areas



## F E B R U A R Y M E E T I N G

Date of Meeting - Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Program Plans - "Understanding and Using Color" -- by the Home Agent

### SPECIAL MEETINGS

February 20 - For Greenlee County Leaders and February 21 - for Graham County Leaders --- Training Meeting for lessons on "Making the Home Attractive" -- (1) Arrangement of Furniture, (2) Draperies and Window Treatments, (3) Accessories in the Home." -- to be given during March, April, and May. Training to be conducted by Miss Grace Ryan, home furnishings specialist, University of Arizona.

-- Clothing Workshops on "Modern Methods of Clothing Construction"

February 26-28 -- Home Agent in Greenlee County

MARCH MEETINGS

Date of Meeting - Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Program Plans - "Making Home Attractive - through Arrangement of Furniture"  
by Club Leaders

SPECIAL MEETINGS

- Clothing Workshops - continue

March 5 - 9 --- In Service Training Meeting for County Extension Agents  
at University.

March 26-28 --- Home Agent in Greenlee County

## APRIL MEETING

Date of Meeting - Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Program Plans - "Making Home Attractive through Draperies and Window Treatment"  
by Club Leaders

## SPECIAL MEETINGS

- County Homemakers Council Meetings
- April 23-26 - Country Life Conference for Homemakers of University of Arizona
- County 4-H Club Achievement Contests --- demonstrations,  
judging, selection of County Delegates to State 4-H Round-up

MAY MEETINGS

Date of Meeting -

Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Club Lesson - "Making Home Attractive through Use of Accessories in the Home"  
by Club Leaders

SPECIAL MEETINGS

May 13-18 - Money Management Workshop for Home Agents at University



## J U N E M E E T I N G

Date of Meeting - Time-

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Lesson Plans - Club's Choice of lesson

## SPECIAL MEETINGS

June 4-7 - State 4-H Club Round-up at University of Arizona

J U L Y M E E T I N G

Date of Meeting -

Time -

Hostess -

Program Plans -

SPECIAL MEETINGS

July 15-20 - State 4-H Club Camp

or

July 22-27 - State 4-H Club Camp

AUGUST MEETING

Date of Meeting - Time -

Hostesses -

Program Plans -

SPECIAL MEETINGS

- Pre - Program Planning Meeting
- Leader Training Meeting for lesson - "Use of Fabric Scraps" by Home Agent

August 26-30 - State 4-H Leaders Conference

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Date of Meeting -                      Time -  
Hostess -  
Roll Call -  
Lesson - "Use of Scraps of Fabric" by Club Leaders

### SPECIAL MEETINGS

- September 5 - for Graham Leaders and the 6th for Greenlee County Leaders  
    ---Leader Training Meeting for "Yeast Bread Variations" by  
    Miss June Gibbs, food specialist, University of Arizona,  
    - County Homemakers Council Meetings  
    - County Homemakers's Program Planning Meeting  
    - Two-County Program Planning Committee Meeting



O C T O B E R M E E T I N G

Date of Meeting -

Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Lesson - "Yeast Bread Variation" by Club Leaders

SPECIAL MEETINGS

- Greenlee County Fair
- Graham County Fair

NOVEMBER MEETING

Date of Meeting -

Time -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Lesson - Lesson 2 -- "Yeast Bread Variations" or Club's Choice of Lesson

SPECIAL MEETINGS

November 28-December 5 -- National 4-H Congress in Chicago

DECEMBER MEETING

Date of Meeting -

Hostess -

Roll Call -

Program Plans -

Time -

SPECIAL MEETINGS

ARIZONA HOMEMAKER'S CREED

To live as humbly as I can

To take what comes of good or evil and grow by my experience into a better and more understanding person.

To cling to the Faith which I possess and live each day a little better than the day before.

To see others through their eyes and not through my own.

To be blind to the faults and see only the fine in every life.

To so live that I have no need of secret places to hide that which I would not have my friends know.

To live the same when I am alone as I do before the world.

To be exactly what my very best friend thinks I am.

To honor the teachings of my parents and when I am called to leave the sphere of action, to live in the memory of someone as a true friend.

--- Mrs. Lila Newell

C R E E D

Keep us, Oh God, from pettiness; let us be large  
in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with fault finding and leave off  
self-seeking.

May we put away all pretense and meet each other  
face to face, without pity and without prejudice.  
May we never be hasty in judgment and always  
generous.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses  
straightforward and unafraid.

Let us take time for all things; make us grow  
calm, serene and gentle.

Grant that we may realize it is the little  
things that create differences, that in the  
big things of life we are as one.

And may we strive to touch and to know the great  
common Woman's heart of us all; and O God  
Let us not forget to be kind.

-----Mary Stewart

#### A CLUB MEMBER'S PRAYER

Help us, O Lord, that we, as women may realize our service to our homes and communities in a three-fold way,  
As true and loyal wives in every path of married lives;  
As kind and loving mothers who will guard, carefully, the morals, health, and efficiency of the little lives Thou has entrusted in our care.  
And as faithful and thoughtful sisters both at home and elsewhere; ever ready to extend a helping hand in the interests of humanity's needs in every walk of life and in any and every community.

## HOMEMAKER'S AIM

### TO HAVE EVERY HOME ---

Economically sound  
Mechanically convenient  
Morally wholesome  
Mentally stimulating  
Artistically satisfying  
Physically healthy  
Socially responsible  
Spiritually inspiring  
Founded upon mutual affection  
and respect.

By Juliet Lita Bane,  
Retired Head of Home Economics  
Dep't, University of Illinois



SCHEDULE for HOMEMAKER'S MEETINGS

2nd Friday	-- 4 pm	-----	Thatcher Homemakers
3rd Wednesday	-- 2 pm	-----	Aravaipa Homemakers
4th Monday	-- 7:30 pm	-----	Safford Homemakers
4th Tuesday	-- 1 pm	-----	Morenci Homemakers
4th Tuesday	-- 7:30 pm	-----	Clifton Homemakers
4th Wednesday	-- 2 pm	-----	York Homemakers
4th Thursday	-- 1 pm	-----	Plantsite Homemakers

# 1957 CALENDAR

January	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	May	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	September	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
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A committee of ladies from four communities in the county met with the home agent and county president on September 9, 1957. Community and individual needs and interests were discussed. A check-guide sheet was set up as a guide and assistance to the homemakers during their discussion of interests and needs during their September club meetings. Each homemaker club was represented on the planning committee. The Club representative served as program discussion leader during her club meeting. She led her club members in discussing their interests and needs, checking the ones listed on the guide sheet and recording others desired.

The 1958 Program Planning meeting was held in the Thatcher Relief Society Hall during the morning of September 27. Under the leadership of the home agent the ladies listed many of the things included in the Extension Program, before discussing the subject-matter interests and needs. Miss Grace Ryan, home management, home furnishing specialist of the University of Arizona discussed the home management and home furnishing lessons and activities during the past ten years. She assisted the ladies in seeing the various phases of homemaking in the two fields and the un-balance they had had between the different phases. Miss Ryan, then directed their thinking toward lessons they could have during the next three years that would help the ladies with their problem of managing their time and energy. After the home agent had displayed the chief interests of all homemakers as shown by the check-guide sheets, an opportunity was given the ladies to add other interests and needs to the list. Miss Jean Stewart, state leader of home economics extension, directed the ladies in their thinking toward thinking about setting up a program which would assist all homemakers in all parts of the county, as well as themselves and members of their clubs. She encouraged them to reach out and include more homemakers in their communities and in other communities in their program of activities. Under the leadership of the home agent the homemakers completed their list of lessons and activities they would like to include in their program during the next three years. These lesson subjects were then broken down - to include the lessons they would try to have during 1958, and some of the things for 1959 and 1960.

#### CONFERENCES

The County Agriculture and Home Agents discussed and planned activities of joint concern from time to time throughout the year. They also kept each other informed as to their meetings and activities.

While on the University Campus the home agent conferred with the state leader and subject matter specialists and made plans for work in the county.

During May and June the assistant home agent conferred with the home agent each Monday morning about work in Greenlee County.

The County President for the Graham County Homemakers and the home agent made plans for county and council meetings.

#### ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE STAFF

Miss Jean Stewart, State leader of Home Economics Extension Service assisted with work in the county by:--



Miss Grace Ryan, home management-furnishing specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, assisted the homemakers evaluate their home management and have furnishing lessons and activities during the past ten years during the County Program Planning Meeting.

- 1- Helping conduct the Officer Training Meeting for club and county officers. She assisted the presidents and vice presidents in better understanding their duties and responsibilities. During the afternoon training meeting she discussed and showed the slides on Parliamentary Procedures and helped the ladies in better understanding these procedures.
- 2- Planning with the County Homemakers for setting up a County Council to represent them and their clubs while planning and directing county activities and the growth of extension work in the county.
- 3- Directing the thinking of the Homemakers in planning a program for homemakers in all communities in the county as well as those in their extension clubs.
- 4- Arranging for specialist assistance throughout the coming year.
- 5- Confering with the Assistant Home Agent and helping her understand the procedures in County Extension Work.

Miss Grace Ryan, home management and furnishing specialist, University of Arizona assisted with the work in the county by:---

- 1- Discussing the home management and home furnishing lessons and activities during the past 10 years, as a part of the county program planning meeting. She assisted the ladies in seeing the various phases of homemaking in the two fields and the un-balance they had had between the different phases. She then directed their thinking toward lessons they could have during the next three years that would help them with their problems of managing time and energy.

#### ASSISTANT HOME AGENT

Mrs. Ann C. Wesley served as Assistant Home Agent in Graham and Greenlee Counties for four months -- March through June. This was an orientation and training period for her.

The first two months the assistant worked out of the Graham County Office in order to work more closely with the home agent and have access to the equipment and supplies. During this period her time was divided between the two counties. She accompanied the home agent to meetings and assumed responsibility for some part of each meeting.

During May and June the assistant agent lived in Greenlee County and worked out of that office. She assumed responsibilities for the major part of the work in that county, coming to Graham County only for special meetings of importance to her.

#### WORK OF THE COUNTY HOME AGENT

Graham County was one of a two-county unit in home economics work

until August 17, 1957 when arrangements were made for a home agent in each county. The new home agent went to Greenlee County.

During the first seven and half months of this year the home agent divided her time between the two counties. Headquarters and records were kept in the Graham County Office where the agent spent the major part of her office time. Separate monthly and annual reports and plans for work were written by the agent for each county.

The Home Agent assisted with the planning and carrying on the Home Economics Extension program in the County by:

- 1- Preparing the Plan for Work for the county during 1957.
- 2- Assisting the State Leader of Home Economics Extension Service with planning and conducting the Officer Training meeting. She conducted the training of the Secretaries, Reporters and Treasurers, and assembled equipment needed for the showing of slides.
- 3- Meeting and planning with the County Officers for work and meetings in the county.
- 4- Meeting with the County Council and assisting them in thinking through and planning for changes in the by-laws and constitution, and for activities and work in the county.
- 5- Giving assistance to club officers and leaders in organizing their meetings and lessons throughout the year when assistance was requested.
- 6- Preparing and sending registration and information sheets for use by members who wished to register for special meetings, for determining results of the work done in the county.
- 7- Meeting with and assisting the Program Planning Committee set up information for the pre-program check-guide sheet and arranging the program lessons and activities into monthly work. She arranges the information ready for the office secretary to mimeograph and send out to the clubs.
- 8- Preparing and sending out the information sheets on work done during the year to each homemaker club.
- 9- Preparing and sending out news and information letters to each member.
- 10- Designing the cover for the Program Booklets and assisting with planning the contents for these booklets. She also organized the material ready for the office secretary to mimeograph.
- 11- Directed the ordering of bulletins, reference materials, 4-H supplies, and keeping the bulletin racks up to date.
- 12- Preparing a monthly plan for work. She made copies for use by the office secretary, county agent and state leader.



- 13- Assisting the new Assistant Home Agent in understanding the organization and planning for extension work. After the assistant took over the major part of the work in Greenlee County, the home agent met weekly with her for discussion of the work — done and planned.
- 14- Collecting names and addresses of the L.D.S. Relief Societies Stake and Ward work leaders.
- 15- The home agent prepared the material for her weekly newspaper column and radio programs. She answered correspondence and sent out information and bulletins where needed.
- 16- She kept office, answering calls, etc. during the illness of the office secretary while the county agent was out of the county on calls.
- 17- Assistance was given to homemakers who write, 'phoned, and called at the office with their homemaking problems.
- 18- Monthly, lesson, and project reports were prepared by the home agent, and copies sent to the extension specialist concerned.
- 19- The folders, records, and other materials belonging to and pertaining to work in Greenlee County were turned over to Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill, Greenlee Home Agent on September 3rd. The Graham County office secretary and home agent went through files and assembled these materials for the Greenlee agent.
- 20- Approximately three days were given by the home agent to cleaning out the storage cupboards, sorting illustrative materials and equipment, organizing these materials according to subject matter and project fields, labeling boxes with contents, and arranging boxes of materials and equipment so that they would be easy to use as needed.

#### RESULTS OF ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING

Requests for information and assistance of the home agent has increased during the past year. This is shown by the increase in phone calls and requests for home visits, bulletins, and other informational materials. Work leaders from 8 of the 11 LDS Ward Relief Societies have depended upon the home agent and extension service for bulletins mimeographed and other reference materials for their monthly relief society lessons.

The organization of the County Council made up of representatives from each homemaker club show evidence of giving better results as to planning and assuming more responsibility for planning and carrying on the extension work in the county, than the county-wide meeting of all members. These representative ladies on the council are showing greater interest and concern about reaching homemakers in un-organized areas of the county.

Homemakers from five communities attended the County Program Planning meeting this year -- 6 from Thatcher, 4 from Safford, 2 from Klondyke,



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one from Bonita, and one from Eden communities. This was a better balance in representing all clubs than that last year with one from Klondyke, 1 from Safford, 1 from Eden and 13 from Thatcher.

72 phone calls, 96 office calls and 12 home visits were made and received as a means of assisting homemakers with their problems.

#### IN SERVICE TRAINING

The home agent attended the Annual Extension Conference at the University of Arizona, December 4-7. During the evening of December 5th the home agent was initiated into the Epsilon Sigma Phi-- a professional fraternity for people who had served ten or more years in the Agriculture and Home Economics Extension Service. The home agent had completed ten years and ten months in the extension service.

The home agent attended the State Informational Conference for home agents on January 30. The meeting was conducted by the two extension informational specialists, University of Arizona, and one assistant county agent.

Home agents were encouraged to write more news stories and a weekly column and to have more confidence in their writing.

The home agent attended the March meeting on program planning and reports conducted by Miss Jean Stewart, state leader of home economics extension service. One and one-half days is credited to Graham County; the other half day to Greenlee.

The home agent attended the four-day Annual Extension Conference on the campus of the University of Arizona. An excellent program was carried on during these days under the direction of the director and his staff of the State Extension Service.

Monday night the home agents and specialists were entertained at an open house by Miss June Gibbs, food-nutrition specialist, and Miss Sarah Harman, assistant state 4-H leader.

Tuesday night the county and state extension staff, their husbands and wives enjoyed a barbequed chicken supper at the Campbell Avenue Farm. This supper was planned and carried out by the Maricopa County Extension Staff.

Wednesday night the home agent attended the dinner meeting and initiation of the Epsilon Sigma Phi Extension Fraternity.

Thursday night the home agent attended the Home Economics Extension dinner.

The home agent attended the "Money Management Workshop" May 13-17 at the University of Arizona, arranged by Miss Grace Ryan home management - furnishing specialist.

## CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

### Clothing Workshop

A clothing workshop was started on March 12 for young homemakers in Graham County. Two other sessions were held during March - on the 19th and 26th.

During the first session the agent discussed the selection of materials and patterns and made plans with the ladies for the sessions to come. She demonstrated the straightening of material, laying of patterns, and the marking of the perforations. A blouse was started during the second meeting. During the session the agent demonstrated stay-stitching, direction of stitching and the making of a collar. The third session included demonstrations and discussion on facings, set-in sleeves. During April a skirt will be made while showing how to gather, apply a band, apply a zipper and hem the skirt.

The fourth and fifth weekly session of the clothing workshop were held the first and second Tuesday nights during April by the home agent. The home agent demonstrated and discussed the putting in of zippers, gathering, putting on skirt bands, and hemming. Due to Easter activities and county 4-H contests it was impossible to hold further sessions this spring.

Due to illness of so many people the attendance wasn't as good during these two meetings.

A special session was held the afternoon of March 20 for homemakers who hadn't had previous experience with sewing. They were assisted by the agents in better understanding how to check patterns, straighten material, lay patterns, mark perforations, and cut out their garments. Assistance was also given on operation of their sewing machines - shortening and lengthening stitches, pressure, winding bobbins, and threading their machines.



Seven of the homemakers who attended the Clothing Construction Meetings.



The home agent demonstrated the method for putting in hems.

The assistant home agent attended the three workshop sessions and the special meeting. She assisted with seating, checking attendance, and arranging the equipment ready for the meeting. During a conference between the two agents it was decided that she help in this way and let the home agent do all of the demonstrating and leading of discussion, while the assistant took notes and reviewed the information given. Then the assistant would make use of the information while working with the 4-H girls. She would have plenty of opportunity to do this since there were five clubs in Graham County and girls in three clubs in Greenlee County who would be making skirts and blouses this year.

The home agent gave approximately a day getting ready for each workshop session.



## OTHER PROJECTS AND WORK

The lesson on "Understanding and Using Color" was given to each of the four homemaker clubs by the home agent. During the lesson the agent reviewed color theory and the application of the art principles in the use of color in clothing as well as the home and food.

The clothing leaders for the extension clubs collected, borrowed, and made articles made from fabric scraps. These were assembled into a kit by the home agent and were used in each club. The homemakers had an opportunity to examine the articles, take off patterns, and get ideas for ways of using up fabric scraps for gifts and use in the home.

Several of the more interesting and useful articles from the kit were loaned to the clubs in Greenlee County for use during their Fabric Scrap lesson.



Safford Homemakers gained several useful ideas from the fabric scrap lesson for their home and gifts.

The homemakers from the Safford Club met at the Baptist Church for an afternoon work meeting on their sewing cabinets. The home agent met with the ladies and assisted them in getting the cabinets started. The wood had been cut and distributed prior to the work meeting so that each lady could sand and shellac her boards.

The home agent met with the ladies and assisted them in getting their cabinets started since their leader was unable to attend the training meeting conducted by Miss Helen Church last November. Their leader is a window decorator for the J. C. Penney Store and couldn't get off for the training meeting.

The Thatcher, and later the Fort Thomas home economics teachers were visited by the home agent and invited to serve as an assistant district chairman for the "All Wool" contest. Neither lady felt she could have time, but both were willing to assist with publicizing and encouraging their girls to enter the contest.

The visit to the Ft. Thomas home economics teacher by the home agent was also a get-acquainted meeting. The call was made at the teacher's home.

Material for the All Wool contest was received by the home agent. Some of the material was taken to the Pima, Thatcher, Safford and Ft. Thomas Home Economics teachers for their use.

The home agent gave two evenings to assisting the Singer Sewing Machine Company with the judging of garments made during their adult sewing classes. The first evening the garments were judged on construction; the second evening the garments were judged on the ladies. The lady and her garment were selected to appear in the district contest in Phoenix. Other judges assisting were Mrs. Cressa Nelson, a 4-H Club Leader, Mrs. Minnie Jensen, a homemaker, and Mrs. Cleo Scott, a homemaker and past home demonstration agent.

The home agent stopped off enroute from a meeting at the home of one of the homemakers and adjusted the sewing machine for her. Dirt and lint had packed under the lower tension spring so that the lower tension was too loose. After this was removed the two tensions were adjusted for good stitching.

A friend who was visiting in the home was having difficulty in putting in zippers. The home agent demonstrated for the ladies a simple way of putting in zippers used by 4-H girls.

Plans for the elementary tailoring lesson for 1958 were discussed with Miss Helen Church, Clothing specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona. It was decided to offer this assistance through a workshop on "Making children's coats and jackets" in September, 1958.

Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill, Greenlee County Home Agent judged the adult clothing Exhibits at the County fair. She brought Mrs. Mattie Foote, Homemaker and 4-H leader with her for training in judging.

The home agent judged adult clothing exhibits at the Navajo and Greenlee County fairs.

## RESULTS

A great deal of interest was shown in the clothing construction meetings. In some cases when it was impossible for a homemaker to always get away on Tuesday evening, two homemakers cooperated with baby sitting and took turns on attending, then passed the information gained on to the one that baby sat. Two other homemakers passed on the information to other homemakers who could not attend the Tuesday night meeting because of work, baby sitting, or church activities.

Three 4-H club leaders of second year clothing attended the first

two sessions of the clothing construction meetings.

21 different homemakers attended one or more of the five clothing meetings. 7 ladies attended all 7 sessions. 4 ladies attended all except one meeting. 8 ladies attended only one session. Most of these 8 were unable to attend more because of illness — their own or one of their children.

The following is the report on arrangement and storage of sewing equipment made by members of the Extension Homemakers since November 1956.

18 made at least one improvement in organizing sewing equipment.  
12 tried to arrange equipment around their machine.

40 sewing cabinets were made: 36 by 30 homemakers, two by 4-H girls, and 2 by Relief Society women attending the workshop.

12 divided a drawer and made it more usable --- two by using a try, 3 by using pegboard, and 7 by using other devices.

One homemaker, using extension bulletins, had a special sewing center built in her new home. This included cutting space, drawer storage for equipment and supplies, and work space by the sewing machine.

The following are pictures of the sewing center built in the Boyce Lines home.







The Safford Homemaker Club members report the following: --

6 made 6 general wear garments, 6 blouses, and 5 skirts.  
12 ladies usually read labels on ready-to-wear garments before buying, 12 usually read labels on yard goods before buying.

The Thatcher and Aravaipa homemakers clubs' report wasn't made by these homemakers.

The reading and use of information in the home agent's weekly newspaper column is rather extensive and more and more homemaker's are making use of it. There is an increase in number of homemakers listening to the weekly radio program by the county home and agriculture agents.

The home agent's picture as a part of the column heading has helped the agent meet homemakers and they, the agent. This agent is recognized on the street and at meeting from her picture by homemakers who have had no other contact with her.

51 telephone calls, 123 office calls, and 23 home visits were made and received as a means of assisting homemakers.

#### FOODS AND NUTRITION

Two lessons on "Yeast Bread Variations" were given during October and November by leaders for their clubs. One of the lessons was on making whole wheat rolls and shaping them, the other lesson was on making sweet rolls.

The Leader Training meeting for the lessons on "Yeast Bread Variations" was conducted by Miss June Gibbs, food - nutrition specialist, University Agriculture Extension Service.

A lesson on "Summer Meals" was given for the members of the Aravaipa Homemakers Club by the Assistant home agent, as the Club's June choice for lesson. During this lesson the assistant home agent gave information about planning warm weather meals, suggestions for combinations of food, and demonstrated the preparation of "Cubian Chicken" - a type of food that can cook while the family is at church or shopping.

A lesson on "Sandwiches for Entertaining" was given members of the Safford Homemaker's Club by the home agent, as their club's June choice of lesson. During the lesson the agent discussed the different kinds of sandwiches, occasions they could be served, a brief history of the sandwich. She demonstrated making several different kinds of sandwiches -- rolled, checker board, ribbon, open face, and a sandwich loaf. The ladies were amazed that the rolled asparagus sandwiches were good.

Assistance was given homemakers who requested assistance with their food preparation, preservation, and nutrition problems by the home agent. These questions included information on jelly making, canning, food spoilage, ways of obtaining juice from vegetables, selection and purchase of foods. Further information was given

homemakers through the home agent's weekly newspaper column and radio programs and distribution of bulletins.

Pressure gauges were tested for the homemakers who brought them to the office for testing by the home agent.

The large pressure canner was lent to three different homemakers for canning of non-acid vegetables.

The pressure sauce pan was tested with the master gauge by the home agent for one homemaker.

Bulletins and mimeographed materials were supplied the LDS Stake and Ward Relief Society Work Leaders for use during the preparation and giving of their monthly lessons for their Relief Society.

#### WORK OF THE ASSISTANT HOME AGENT

Mrs. Ann C. Wesley, assistant home agent from March through June 30th assisted with work in the county by: ---

- 1- Checking with equipment companies and gathering information for a homemaker on how to make vegetable juice in quantity.
- 2- Preparing and giving the lesson on "Summer Meals" for members of the Aravaipa Homemakers Club.
- 3- Assumed the major part of the work in Greenlee County during May and June, and thus relieving the home agent to give more time to work in Graham County.

#### WORK OF THE HOME AGENT

The home agent assisted with work in Graham County throughout the year by: ---

- 1- Arranging for and assisting in conducting the leader training meeting on "Yeast Bread Variations". During the meeting she distributed mimeographed and bulletin materials, kept the equipment washed and ready for the specialist's use, watching the raising dough and rolls, baking the products and serving the baked rolls.
- 2- Arranging for and taking the assistant home agent to the Aravaipa (ranching) club for the lesson on "Summer Meals".
- 3- Giving the lesson on "Sandwiches for Entertaining" for members of the Safford Homemaker Club.
- 4- Testing pressure canner gauges and pressure sauce pans for homemakers who desired this service.
- 5- Giving information to homemakers on food preparation, preservation, and buying who phoned or called at her office.
- 6- Writing a weekly column for the Graham County Guardian. In

this column she gave information of value to homemakers on planning, preparing, serving, preserving, and buying food.

- 7- Testing oven temperatures and checking on food spoilage through home visits.
- 8- Distributing bulletins and mimeographed material to Homemakers and LDS Relief Society Work Leaders for their use.
- 9- The Home Agent assisted with the judging of foods at the Navajo County Fair.

#### OTHERS WHO ASSISTED

Miss June Gibbs, food-nutrition specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, assisted with the work in Graham County by: ---

- 1- Planning with the home agent for food - and nutrition projects and lessons in the County.
- 2- Conducting the leader training meeting for the two lessons on "Yeast Bread Variations".
- 3- Assisting the home agent find the answers to questions asked by homemakers on which she didn't have reference material.

Mrs. Martha Chapman, home economics and homemaker, judged the adult foods exhibits at the Graham County Fair, and the Greenlee County Fair.

#### RESULTS

Nine leaders attended the leader training meeting for the lesson on "Yeast Bread Variations". This included 3 junior 4-H leaders, two adult 4-H leaders, and 6 adult homemaker leaders from three communities.

Four leaders gave lesson, one on Whole Wheat dinner Rolls for 31 members of three homemaker clubs during October, and lesson on "Sweet Rolls" for members of the three clubs during November.

The three junior 4-H leaders and two adult 4-H leaders will use the information gained during 1958 while supervising 4-H food projects.

Requests for information are increasing through telephone calls and office calls, and for home visits by the home agent. The home agent's newspaper column and radio talks are being followed up by request for additional information, through assistance from the home agent and bulletins.

78 phone calls and 178 office calls were received while assisting

homemakers, with their food preparation.

75 phone calls and 103 office calls were received as a means of assisting homemakers with their food preservation. 12 home visits were made by the home agent.

#### HOME MANAGEMENT

The Aravaipa homemakers held an evening meeting as their monthly meeting, with their husbands and children as guests. After a pot-luck supper on the grounds of the Klondyke School, Mr. Roy Young and Mr. Donald Welker discussed loans, wills, and investments. Mr. Welker is manager of the Valley National Bank in Safford, and Mr. Young is agriculture chairman for the Valley National Bank.

Miss Grace Ryan reviewed home management and home furnishing work done in this county during the past ten years at the County Program Planning meeting September 27th. She used a flannel graph as illustrative material so the ladies could see the different phases possible and the ones touched. It also helped the ladies see the possibilities in these fields. Miss Ryan also guided the homemakers' thinking in regard to future work in the county and ways of gaining assistance with the desire to better manage their time and energy.

Since the LDS Relief Society lessons for the 1957-58 program year are in the field of home-management and the time involved in preparing materials to help the Stake and Ward Work Leaders with their lessons, the home agent arranged for a conference with the Stake Leaders. Part of Graham County is in the St. Joseph Stake and the other part in the Mt. Graham Stake. The agent lent the two ladies some material for their examination and gave them some references and sources where they could find information needed. The St. Joseph Stake Leader invited Miss Ryan, extension specialist and the home agent to meet with her Ward Leaders and herself. During this meeting information was given as to the help and services the agent and specialist could give, and arrangements made for the leaders to request assistance far enough in advance of their meeting for assistance to be possible.

The Home Agent attended the "Money Management Workshop" May 13-17. This was an excellent workshop - from beginning to end. Much was gained by the home agent that can be used while helping homemakers - individuals and in groups. Information will be used in her weekly newspaper column and radio talks throughout the year. The column written following the workshop contained "teasers" on installment buying.

The management of work and activities to save time and energy is a problem of every homemaker. Plans have been made for assistance to be given homemakers through the program during the next three years. During 1958 the organization of work will be taken up, followed by storage arrangement in 1959.



The home agent made home visits to assist homemakers with their home management problems. For example: The oven temperature and thermostat was checked for one homemaker by the agent. It was found that the thermostat shut off 25 to 50 degrees short of the set temperature. Pressure sauce pan gauge was tested with the master gauge for another homemaker by the agent.

Information on storage, cleaning, laundering, prevention and elimination of household insects, and selection operation and care of equipment was included in the weekly newspaper column and radio programs.

Extension bulletins, USDA bulletins, and mimeographed materials were made available to homemakers. Reference materials on storage and building storage was lent to two homemakers.

#### HOME FURNISHINGS

The lesson on "Understanding and Using Color" was given to each of the homemakers clubs by the home agent during February.

During the color lesson the agent reviewed color theory and the application of the art principles in the use of color in the home, clothing, food, and table service. The agent discussed and illustrated ways, pictures, figured fabrics, and scenery could be used as a basis for color schemes, and factors to consider when planning the colors and the schemes to use. The flannel graph, colored pieces of paper, fabric, pictures were used during the discussion while showing the color wheel; color harmonies, values, and intensities; the effect of color on other colors, space, size, weight, lightness, warmth, and coolness. During the last part of the lesson, the homemakers were divided into groups of two or three for solving problems --- setting up a color scheme from a piece of fabric, harmonizing colors when moving into a house with colors that didn't harmonize with furnishings owned, cloth and dishes for settings. Due to limited time the agent didn't attempt problems pertaining to dress.

In concluding the lesson, the agent gave a little rule that would help in setting up pleasing, restful, harmonizing color schemes for attractive rooms, tables settings, and clothing --- "Be sure to include, -- something dark, something light, something dull and something bright."

The Leader Training meetings for the lessons on "Making the Home Attractive -- through 'arrangement of furniture', window treatments', and 'use of accessories' was conducted in February by the Home Furnishing Specialist from the Extension Service, University of Arizona.

During the training meeting the specialist discussed ways of making the home attractive through the arrangement of furniture, draperies and other curtains and accessories for the home. She brought out that good taste wasn't what each of us thought, but what was good according to the principles of art. She showed how each of the five principles of art applied to making our homes attractive through her discussion and illustrations. The leaders attending the training meeting had opportunities to try out arrangements of furniture for convenience



Aravaipa Homemakers studied color and its use during their February meeting. Picture shows Mrs. Charlotte Weathersby and Mrs. Lila Claridge trying color combinations while Mrs. Audrey Kyrkendahl and Mrs. Rachael Williams look on.

and attractiveness, combinations of various fabrics and accessories for the home.

The Leaders gave the lessons on "Making the Home Attractive" for members of their clubs -- "Through Arrangement of Furniture" during March; "Through Window Treatments" during April; and through "Use of Accessories" during May.

Information of value to homemakers was included in the home agent's weekly newspaper column. She gave information about club and special meetings and some of the information included in the lessons in her column. Availability of bulletins and other extension materials was also given.

The home agent judged Household Arts Exhibits at the Greenlee County Fair.

#### OTHERS WHO HELPED WITH THE PROGRAM

Miss Grace Ryan, home management-home furnishing specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, assisted with the program by: ---

- 1- Planning with the home agent for the home management and the home furnishing lessons and activities in the county.
- 2- Planning and conducting the Money Management Workshop which was held for home agents May 13-17.
- 3- Conducting the Leader Training Meetings for the lessons on "Making the Home Attractive -- through arrangement of furniture, window treatments and accessories".
- 4- Confering with the home agent and assisting with her plans for the lesson on "Understanding and Using Color".
- 5- Lending fabric and rug samples in a variety of colors, designs, and textures for use during the lesson on "Understanding and Using Color."
- 6- Assisting the assistant home agent review and better understand arrangement of furniture, window treatments, use of accessories in the home, color and texture combinations.
- 7- Confering with the home agent and with the St. Joseph Stake and Ward Leaders of the LDS Church about their plans for their Relief Society lessons on Managing the Family's Income and Resources.
- 8- Reviewing the home management and the home furnishing work in the county during the past ten years and leading the homemakers in evaluating their program and planning the lessons and activities for the next three years.
- 9- Confering with the home agent in regard to the contents for the 1958 lesson on "Organizing Work for Greater Efficiency."



The Brooks Lumber Company and the Safford Builders assisted by lending floor tile, wood samples, and wall samples for use during the lessons on color.

#### RESULTS OF HOME MANAGEMENT AND HOME FURNISHING

9 leaders attended the training meeting on "Making the Home Attractive through arrangement of furniture, window treatments, and use of accessories."

3 leaders gave the lesson on Making the Home Attractive through the arrangement of furniture for 25 members of the three clubs.

4 leaders gave the lesson on Making the Home Attractive through window treatments for 25 members of the three clubs during April.

3 leaders gave the lesson on Making the Home Attractive through the use of Accessories for 28 members of the three clubs during May.

30 homemakers attended the lesson on "Understanding and Using Color" given by the home agent during February.

Members from all extension clubs requested lessons on Managing Time and Energy for the coming three years.

The Safford Homemakers were the only club that returned the information sheet on use made of the home furnishing and management lessons this past year. This is a new club made up of young homemakers, many of whom teach school and others work outside the home. Half of their members have moved away so that there was only six of them left by the September meeting when the report was made.

All six homemakers reported that they could better understand and use color in their homes, clothing, and table more effectively since this lesson. They indicated that they had used the information while selecting furnishings for their homes, clothes for themselves and family members, and selecting and combining table linen, dishes and table decorations.

One of the six ladies used the information while selecting draperies for one room in her home, and accessories for her home.

This club has organized since the lessons on repairing, refinishing, and re-upholstering lessons were given. Therefore, they were unable to report results of these meetings held during previous years.

6 Ward Relief Society Leaders attended the conference for planning the assistance desired from the extension service through the extension

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Phases	Methods of Teaching	By Whom	Location	Attendance	Number Reporting	RESULTS	
Color	Illustrated	HA	Thatcher	8		Better understanding of color and its use	
Color	"	"	Klondyke	10		Better understanding of color and its use	
Color	"	"	Safford	12		Better understanding of color and its use	
Make Home Attractive	LTM Spec.		Safford	9		Furniture Arrangement, Window Treatments, Accessories	
Furniture Arrangement	MD	L	Thatcher	8		Make Home Attractive Through Arrangement	
"	MD	L	Aravaipa	9		" " "	"
"	MD	L	Safford	8		" " "	"
Window Treat.	MD	L	Thatcher	7		Make Home Attractive through window treatment	
"	MD	L	Aravaipa	8		" " "	"
"	MD	L	Safford	10		" " "	"
Accessories	MD	L	Thatcher	11		Make Home Attractive through use of Accessories	
"		L	Aravaipa	6		" " "	"
"		L	Safford	7		" " "	"
Wills, loans	Discussion	Banker	Aravaipa	30		How to make out wills, sources and kinds of loans	
Money Manage. Plan.		HA	Safford	3		With LDS Relief Society Stake Leaders	
"	"	Spec.	Thatcher	8		" " " and Ward Leaders	
Buying	Discuss	L	Thatcher	12		Selection and buying household cleaners	

specialist and the home agent with their money management lessons.

61 telephone calls, 68 office calls, and 32 home visits were made and received as a means of assisting homemakers.

#### RECREATION

The Homemaker Clubs had Christmas Parties during their December meetings. The Safford Homemakers entertained their husbands to a ham dinner at six o'clock. The home agent enjoyed the dinner and meeting the husbands of these homemakers.

The Aravaipa Homemakers entertained their husbands and children during their August meeting each year. A pot-luck supper is served on the grounds of the Klondyke School. This year they had Roy Young and Donald Welker from the Valley National Bank of Safford. The men discussed loans, wills, and investments. Mr. Welker is manager and Mr. Young is the agriculture chairman for the Valley National Bank.

#### HEALTH

The home agent attended the County Cancer Meeting at the Safford High School and listened to the speeches by National Officers of the American Cancer Association and the movie on "Cancer of the Lung".

#### COMMUNITY

##### PUBLICITY

The Home Agent wrote material for 51 weekly newspaper columns and 50 news articles which were printed in the Graham County Guardian, a weekly newspaper.

The column contained information of value to homemakers on various phases of homemaking, club and county activities, coming meetings and workshops, bulletins and mimeographed materials available.

Six articles were written giving information about preparation of exhibits for the county fair - basis for judging, selection, preparation and making.

The County Reporter for the County Homemakers Association wrote articles covering activities of that group and material for radio broadcast.

The home agent assisted with 35 weekly radio programs over station KGLU from 10 to 10:15 each Saturday morning. This program was shared with the Agriculture Agent. Usually both agents were on the program, except when one had to be out of the county, had another meeting, or wished to use the whole 15 minutes for some special information or interview of a University Extension Specialist.

During one of the radio programs the home agent interviewed Miss Jean

Stewart, state leader of home economics extension service, University of Arizona. Information about plans and program for the annual Country Life Conference were discussed. During another program the two agents interviewed Graham Wright and Miss Sarah Harmon, State 4-H leaders about plans for the State 4-H Club Round-up. One program was given during National Home Demonstration week by the presidents of the extension homemaker clubs and the home agent.

Bob Doan, assistant information specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, conferred with the home agent about publicity while he was in the county November 21. Suggestions were given on cause for some pictures taken by the agent not turning out clean, attachments that could be purchased for close-up pictures, and type of camera when a new one was purchased. Arrangements were made for mats of the State Home Economics Extension Agent, each of the three subject-matter specialist, and the two state 4-H Leaders to be sent to the home agent for her use for publicity.

The home agent conferred with Ken Bowyer of the ARIZONA FARMER magazine when he dropped into the office. Plans were made for the agent to write and send to Mr. Bowyer news stories and pictures, from time to time, during this coming year. Plans for a story on a 4-H club leader were set up.

#### COUNTY FAIR

Mrs. Mary Larson and Mrs. Erma Stewart served again as the superintendents of the Clothing and Household Arts, and the Foods divisions of the homemakers exhibits for the Graham County Fair.

The two superintendents of the homemakers exhibits and the fair secretary met with the home agent in May and completed plans for the homemakers 1957 County Fair Exhibits. Final check was made on exhibit entries before the lists went to the printers. A few changes and additions were made in this list and entry rules. It was decided to include score information for judging in this year's fair book.

The home agent typed the entry lists and rules for the two home economics divisions ready for the printers.

Six articles were written by the home agent and published in the Graham County Guardian. Information was given on standards for judging quality of clothing, foods, and household arts articles, and suggestions given for preparing the exhibits for the county fair. Similar information was also given over the radio during four different radio programs by the home agent prior to the county fair.

The Home Agent judged the clothing and the food preservation exhibits for the Navajo County Fair.

The clothing and household arts exhibits at the Greenlee County Fair were judged by the home agent.





Mrs. Erma Stewart, Superintendent of Foods Division discusses canned foods with Mrs. Rachael Williams of the Happy Valley Ranch near Bonita.



Mrs. Blake of Solomon assisted Mrs. Mary Larson, Superintendent of Clothing and household Arts Division, place the exhibits on display.

Mrs. Martha Chapman, home economist and Graham County Homemaker, judged the food exhibits for the Greenlee County Fair and for the Graham County Fair.

Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill, Greenlee County home agent judged the clothing and household arts exhibits at the Graham County Fair. Mrs. Mattie Foote, Greenlee homemaker and 4-H leader assisted while gaining experience in judging.

#### COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The home agent is a member of the Pilot International Club of Safford. This is one of five service clubs for women. It is set up like Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions with qualification according to profession for membership.

The past year the home agent served as corresponding secretary and publicity chairman for the Pilot Club of Safford. As corresponding secretary she sent out notices to the members for the two monthly meetings of the club and to the board members for the monthly board meeting and attended the monthly board meeting. As publicity chairman she wrote articles for the county newspaper on activities of the club. She also took pictures for the club scrap book and publicity. She also arranged the 1956-57 club scrap book.

The Pilot Club was hostess in May to the District 14 annual conference. The home agent served as chairman of the program committee and assisted with the cutting of stencils and putting the program booklets together. During the conference she served on the resolutions committee, took pictures and kept notes for use while writing news items.

The home agent taught a group of 12 sixth graders for the Safford Methodist Sunday School June 1956 to July 1957.

#### RESULTS

The weekly newspaper column seems to be widely read throughout the county. Requests for help have come from homemakers from all communities in the county. Many of these lead from their having read the home agent's column, news articles, and listening to the radio programs.

The newspaper column seems to be reaching three to four times more homemakers than the radio program. Some homemakers habitually tune in for the radio program each week, some do occasionally and others never or practically never use their radio any more. Television is more and more replacing the radio in the home in this county.

Several homemakers are keeping scrap books of information clipped from the home agent's column.

When meeting homemakers and their families for the first time they often said "Oh yes, I see your picture when I read your column". The agent has been stopped on the street and during the county fair by people who recognized her by her picture to discuss their homemaking problems. Very definitely the picture as a part of the column has helped people know the home agent and seek her assistance.

During the County Fair and organization of new 4-H Clubs, the home agent had an opportunity to meet and chat with other homemakers from all parts of the county. The conference with the LDS Stake and Ward Relief Society Leaders also made it possible for the agent to get better acquainted with these homemakers and to develop a better understanding between them, their work, and extension service.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1- That the home agent visit more homes and make more contacts, particularly in the out-lying and unorganized communities.
- 2- That notices of training meetings be sent to leaders and presidents of the LDS Relief Societies and 4-H Club Leaders in the County as well as to the leaders for the Extension Homemaker Clubs.
- 3- That more work be done in several areas to interest homemakers and youth in farming, homemaker and 4-H clubs, particularly in the Ft. Thomas, Pima, Eden and Solomon communities.
- 4- That homemakers hold an achievement program each year.
- 5- That the homemakers be guided to do more to help themselves and others, and to enlarge their circle of interest from 'me and mine' to include others, particularly the desires and needs of others in other communities and clubs.
- 6- That clothing construction work to help the young homemaker and mother be continued through special meetings and workshops.
- 7- That greater effort be made to have every boy and girl complete their club work. This effort should be made throughout the year.
- 8- That effort be continued to gain the interest and co-operation of parents and people in the communities.



## O U T L O O K

The homemaker program lessons and activities for 1958 has been limited so that time in the home agent's schedule can allow for more home visits, assistance to homemakers and the 4-H Clubs.

The home agent is setting up two visiting days each month in her work schedule. Some months more than two will be used. These two days are set on specific days. If necessary to change, another date that month will be used. It is the desire of the home agent to eventually meet all homemakers in the county.

A better understanding has been established between the Stake and Ward Relief Society Work Leaders and the home agent through the conferences held this fall. It is the desire of the home agent to make extension and her own assistance available to all LDS ladies as homemakers and as leaders in their Relief Societies who are giving home economics lessons.

The organization of the Community 4-H Club in the Bonita area has brought about contacts with the homemakers of that area by the home agent. Plans are underway for at least one community meeting with homemakers during 1958.

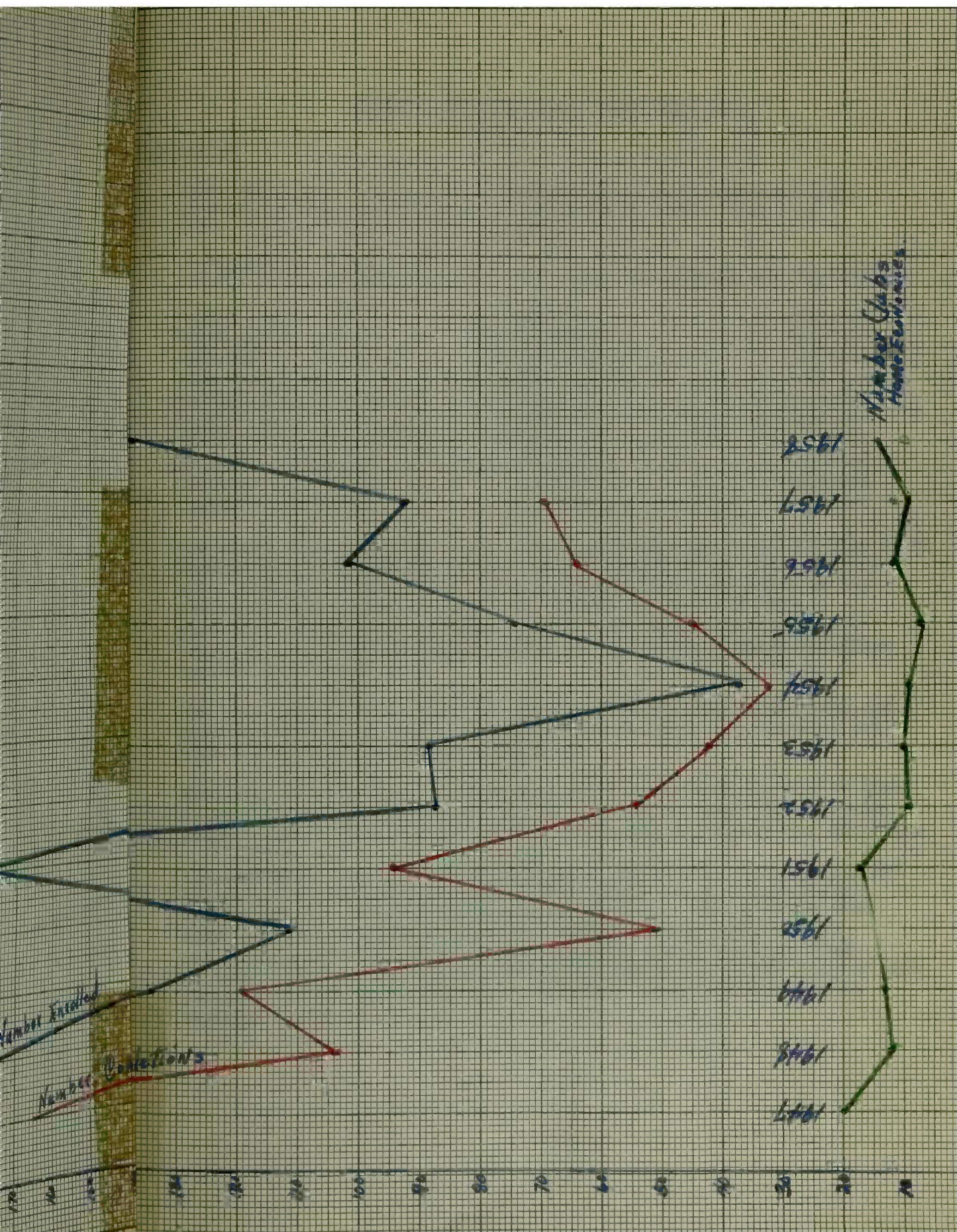
The County Council for the County Extension Homemakers Clubs has been organized, the by-laws and constitution brought up-to-date, and definite interest shown by the members of the Council in reaching more homemakers with the extension program and assuming more responsibility for planning and carrying on the program.

The outlook for progress with the adult extension program in Graham County is good. It will be very slow, for a time at least, but progress even slow, is good. Having a full time home agent who can devote her full time to adult and 4-H work in the county and broadening of the attitude of the leaders will go a long ways in furthering progress and growth in the county.

Enrollment in 4-H Club work for 1957-58 has already increased over that for the past year. Seven new clubs and 8 old clubs with a membership of 136 different members have already enrolled for home economics 4-H project work during 1958. The two 1957 Pima Clubs probably won't re-organize for 1958. There are now 7 clubs with 70 members in the Thatcher community, 4 clubs with 37 members in Safford, 1 club with 10 members in Pima, one club in Bylas, and one club in Bonita and one in Eden communities, organized for both agriculture and home economics project work.

Five High School Freshmen girls are starting their junior leadership work under the supervision of adult leaders. There will be 16 adult leaders, and 8 junior leaders working with the 15 clubs during 1958.





Home Economics 4-H Clubs, Enrollments, and Completions. - last 10 years



## SUMMARY OF 4-H CLUB WORK FOR 1957

### ORGANIZATION

There were 10 4-H Clubs in five communities with 93 different girls enrolled in home economics project work during 1957. They were led by 10 adult and 4 junior leaders.

The following are the 1957 clubs with their enrollments and completions:

Bonita . . . . .	5 enrolled . . . . .	5 completed
Bylas (Indian Girls) . . . . .	12 enrolled . . . . .	12 completed
Pima Pals . . . . .	11 enrolled . . . . .	5 completed
Pima Busy Bees. . . . .	6 enrolled . . . . .	5 completed
Safford Lucky Klovers . . . . .	11 enrolled . . . . .	6 completed
Safford Merry Maids . . . . .	12 enrolled . . . . .	10 completed
Thatcher Fashion Girls. . . . .	10 enrolled . . . . .	9 completed
Thatcher Busy Maids . . . . .	11 enrolled . . . . .	11 completed
Thatcher Jolly Janes . . . . .	5 enrolled . . . . .	5 completed
Thatcher Busy Teens . . . . .	9 enrolled . . . . .	3 completed

The annual Training Meeting for 4-H Club Officers was held from 9 to 10 am January 19 -- The presidents and vice presidents at the Radio Station under training by the county agriculture agent; the reporters at the newspaper office under training by a member of the staff; the secretary-treasurers at the extension office, trained by the office secretary; and the recreation leaders in hall outside extension office trained by the home agent.

The home agent visited each club two or more times during the year and gave assistance as needed. New clubs were assisted in organizing and more help was given them by the agent.

From time to time the home agent sent out informational letters to club leaders and junior leaders and to the club members about organization, project work, county contests, camp, finish-up, and county fair exhibits.

The home agent arranged for and conducted the County Home Economics 4-H demonstration and judging contests, the county 4-H achievement day activities, and exhibits during the county fair. The assistant home agent assisted with plans and conducting the county demonstration and judging contests. Mrs. Cressa Nelson served as superintendent of home economics 4-H exhibits during the county fair. She assisted with planning for and conducting these exhibits. Other 4-H club leaders assisted during the fair.

Since the County Fair is held during the middle of October, after 4-H completion reports are sent to the state office, a county home economics achievement day was held August 2 so the girls could meet their exhibiting requirements. This achievement day activities were held in the recreation hall of the Safford Ward LDS Church.

Each girl exhibited articles of clothing and food products that she had made as a part of her project work during the year. These exhibits were entered and judged during the morning by Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill, Greenlee Home Agent and Miss Jean Stewart, State leader of Home Economics Extension Work. These exhibits were on view throughout the day.

A demonstration contest was held during the morning for girls who wished to compete. These demonstrations were judged by Mrs. Cleo Scott (Greenlee County 4-H Leader and home economist), Mrs. Cressa Nelson (Graham County 4-H Leader), Nedra Daley and Maryleen Nelson (Graham County 4-H Junior Leaders)

A copy of the afternoon Dress Revue Program is included.

Each adult 4-H Leader and each junior leader and older club members assumed responsibility for a certain part of the day's activities as follows:

Accepting food exhibits and assisting the judge with recording of ratings and ribbons and displays -- Mrs. Etta Smith (Thatcher Busy Maids), Mrs. Della Smith (Safford Merry Maids), and Mrs. Majorie Monzingo (Bonita Community Club).

Accepting clothing exhibits and assisting the judge with recording, ribbons and displays:--- Mrs. John Sears (Safford Lucky Klovvers), Mrs. Melva Mulleneaux (Thatcher Jolly Janes), and Mrs. Norene Davis (Pima Pals).

Karla Turner (junior leader for Thatcher Busy Maids) served as demonstration chairman. Karen Daley (older member of Thatcher Fashion Girls) assisted by helping the demonstrators have their supplies and equipment ready and storing these after the demonstration.

Donna Curtis and Evelyn Nelson (older member, Thatcher Busy Teens) took care of registration and accepting Leader's reports and club records.

Jan and Ann Hartnell (older members, Thatcher Fashion Girls) decorated the stage for the afternoon dress revue program.

Connie Mickelson (Thatcher Fashion Girls) lead group singing during the afternoon program with Marla Mulleneaux (Thatcher Jolly Janes) as piano accompanist.

AFTERNOON DRESS REVUE PROGRAM

Group Singing led by Connie Mickelson - (Thatcher Fashion Girls)  
Pianist - Marla Mulleneaux (Thatcher Jolly Janes)

Prayer by Judith Mattice (Pima Busy Bees)

Pledge to American Flag - led by Patty Smith and Judith Sears  
(Safford Lucky Klovers)

4-H Pledge - led by Janet Hunt (Thatcher Jolly Janes)

Introduction of new Acting County Agent - Mr. Lynn M. Fitzsimmons

Comments on Exhibits - by judge - Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill

"What makes a Good Demonstration" by Maryleen Nelson (Fashion Girls)

Gold Plaque Demonstration (State 4-H Roundup) - "Making a Collar" by  
Nedra Daley (Fashion Girls)

Introduction of Food Leaders and members:

Thatcher Busy Teens

Thatcher Busy Maids by Mrs. Keith Smith, leader

Group of songs by Busy Maids led by Karla Turner, Jr. Leader

Safford Merry Maids - Mrs. G. B. Smith, leader

Group of songs by Merry Maids led by their leader

Bonita Community Club girls - Mrs. Tom Monzingo, leader

Poem - "The Four Leaf Clover" and "The Rose" by Barbara Monzingo (Bonita Club)

DRESS REVUE:

Safford Lucky Klovers - Mrs. John Sears, leader

Thatcher Jolly Janes - Mrs. Melva Mulleneaux, leader

(Nedra Daley, Junior Leader)

Pima Busy Bees - Mrs. D. F. Davis and Mrs. Tillie Carter,  
leaders

Pima Pals - by Mrs. Davis in absence of Mrs. Phil McBride,  
leader

Fashion Girls - Mrs. Cressa Nelson, leader; (Maryleen Nelson,  
Jr. Leader)

Report on 4-H Camp

First camp by Norma McBride - Pima Pals

Second camp by Ina Cheryl Nelson (Jolly Janes)

Group of Camp Songs - by girls attending the two 4-H camps

Announcements on demonstration placings and presentation of Ribbons -  
Nedra Daley and Maryleen Nelson

Group Singing - led by Connie Mickleson

Prayer - by Maryln Bitter (Pima Pals)

The home agent composed and made the report forms which each club leader sent in her report on work done by members of her club. This report, the member's record books, and clubs secretary book were turned in to the home agent on achievement day.

One hundred twenty-five persons attended part or all of the Achievement day's activities. Parents and friends who couldn't attend the activities came during their noon hour to see the exhibits.

The 4-H member's record books, the secretary's book and Leaders reports were checked over by the home agent and the home economics part of the county 4-H report made.

Record Reports of work done by three home economics 4-H girls -- Maryleen Nelson, Karla Turner and Nedra Daley (all members of the Thatcher Fashion Girls 4-H Club and junior leaders for clubs of younger girls) records were submitted to the State 4-H Office for state and national honors.

The County 4-H Awards Dinner and Program were held, again this year, in the recreation hall of the Thatcher LDS Church. Nedra Daley arranged for the use of the recreation hall, ordered and served the milk and pop for the dinner. Karen Daley ordered the rolls, heated and served them. Maryleen Nelson served as chairman of the committee for decorating the dinner tables. Majorie Pointer, Lola Evans and Cheryl Nelson assisted her with the planning, making and decorating the tables. Karla Turner planned the arrangement of food on the table and directed the serving of the food. Connie Mickelson lead group singing during the evening program. All of these girls are members of the Thatcher Fashion Girls 4-H clubs.

The home agent arranged for these girls to assume these responsibilities and obtained the paper to cover the tables.

The following are awards made to home economics 4-H girls by the home agent during the Awards Program:---

Karla Turner received the Valley Bank award for leadership, and Nedra Daley the Valley Bank award for achievement. The awards this year are 4-H pen and pencil sets. These awards were announced and presented to the girls by Roy Young of the Valley Bank.

Karla Turner also received the County Leadership, Frozen Foods, and Home Economics metals and the Danford book "I Dare You".

Nedra Daley received the County Dress Revue, Clothing, Home Economics, and Achievement metals and a 4-H pencil for her blue ribbon demonstration.

Maryleen Nelson received the Food Preparation, Clothing, Home Economics, and Achievement metals, and a foley pastry cloth for her state blue ribbon demonstration.

Karen Daley and Connie Mickelson each received a County Clothing and dress revue metals, and 4-H pencil for State ribbon demonstration.



Donna Curtis received the County Food Preparation Metal and a Foley Pastry cloth for her State blue ribbon demonstration.

Foley food mills or flour sieves were awarded the following girls who gave blue ribbon demonstrations during the county demonstration contests: -- Kay Taylor (Safford Merry Maids); Barbara Monzingo (Bonita Community Club); Sylvia Spicer, Joy Cope, Judy West, Diane Smith, and Andrea Turner (Thatcher Busy Maids).

Evelyn Nelson, Becky Dodge, and Majorie Pointer received Foley flour sieves for their representation of the county in the junior food judging contest at the state 4-H round-up.

Automatic 4-H pencils were awarded the following girls who gave blue ribbon clothing demonstrations during the county contests: --- Patti Smith (Safford Lucky Klowers); Janet Hunt, Ina Cheryl Nelson, Glynna French, Marla Mullenau, and Maxine Watson (Thatcher Jolly Janes).

Jan Hartnell, Lola Evans, Maryleen Nelson, Connie Mickelson, Karen Daley, and Ann Hartnell (all members of Thatcher Fashion Girls) also received the 4-H pencils for representing the county in the senior and junior clothing judging teams at the State 4-H Round-up.

Recognition was also given the following 11 year old girls for their high judging scores in the county judging contest: -- Marilyn Larson, Sylvia Spicer, and Maxine Watson had an average of 95.8 score; Kay and Fay Mecham had 92.5 and 91.6 scores; Joy Cope and Ina Cheryl Nelson had average scores of 91.6. Judy Sears and Diane Smith also had above 85 average scores. These girls were too young to represent the county in judging contests at the state 4-H Round-up.

#### 4-H CLUB ROUND-UP

12 girls represented the County at the State 4-H Club Round-up on the Campus of the University of Arizona June 4-7. 4 girls gave food demonstrations, 3 girls judged in the junior food judging contest, 3 girls gave clothing demonstrations, 6 girls judged in the clothing judging contests - 3 in senior and 3 in junior contests, one girl modeled in the dress revue. Honors and rating received by these girls will be given under the clothing and food summary of this 4-H report.

#### STATE LEADERS CONFERENCE

Two adult leaders, three junior leaders, and the home agent attended the State 4-H leaders Conference in Flagstaff August 26-30. Leaders attending were: Mrs. Lamar Kempton, (co-leader of the Eden Community Club), Mrs. Cressa Nelson (leader of Fashion Girls Club), Maryleen Nelson (junior leader of Fashion Girls), Nedra Daley (junior leader of Jolly Janes), and Karla Turner (junior leader of Busy Maids).



The three junior leaders assisted with making and decorations for the banquet tables. Karla and Nedra assisted with planning and directing recreation of evening.

Thursday afternoon the home agent presided for the last general session of the conference.

This year's conference was excellent from beginning to end. The leaders and the home agent feel that they gained much help and inspiration from the conference.

#### OTHER WORK OF THE AGENT

The home agent assisted with finding leaders, contacting club age girls and their mothers, planning and organizing the clubs for work during 1958. Seven new clubs in three communities -- 2 in Safford, 4 in Thatcher, and 1 in Pima -- have been organized with enrollment twice 1957 completion.

The home agent conferred with club leaders and provided materials needed for the use of their clubs.

Karla Turner and Nedra Daley, junior leaders, met with all of the fifth and sixth grade girls in the Thatcher Elementary School and discussed 4-H club work. They obtained a list of girls and their mother who were interested in being in 4-H clubs, for the home agent.

A letter was sent to each mother by the home agent inviting her to attend a pre-organization meeting with her daughter. Two pre-organization meetings were held in the Thatcher Community -- one for those interested in clothing projects, and one for those interested in the food project.

One evening after school the home agent met with the seventh and eighth grade girls in the Thatcher Junior High who were interested in 4-H club work. She discussed 4-H club work, and the clothing, foods, and room improvement projects. Six girls of these girls joined the Jolly Janes club for foods work. Six other girls decided to form a club with one of their mothers as adult leader and Maryleen Nelson as Junior leader for work in first year room improvement.

Leader training meetings were held by the home agents for adult and junior club leader. One of these meetings were on organization and planning.

## CLOTHING

Fifty-seven girls were enrolled in clothing projects in seven of the ten clubs. The following gives information on enrollment and completion of the different clothing projects: ---

Learning to Sew . . . . .	9 enrolled . . .	6 completed
Making Blouse and Skirt . . . . .	39 enrolled . . .	30 completed
Making the Cotton Dress . . . . .	2 enrolled . . .	2 completed
Making Semi-tailored Dress . . . . .	2 enrolled . . .	2 completed
Advanced Clothing / / . . . . .	4 enrolled . . .	3 completed

Two leader training meetings were held for adult and junior 4-H club leaders, by the home agent. One of these was for the purpose of passing on the information so they could give the Singer Sewing Machine training to their girls. The other one was for giving clothing construction assistance to the leaders.

The agent attended each club meeting at least twice during the year. Some clubs, particularly new ones with new leaders, were visited more times, as the need arose. Two of these new club leaders attended two of the clothing construction workshops conducted by the agent for young homemakers.

Type of assistance given by the home agent while visiting clubs included pattern and fabric selection, reading of patterns, laying of patterns, use of equipment, and various construction processes. During one of the Fashion Girls Work meetings the agent showed various kinds of pressing equipment and demonstrated the use of this equipment and pressing methods.

The home agent attended one meeting of the Bylas Lucky Klover Club. While there she set up blouse and skirt judging rings and gave the girls some experience with judging. The girls exhibited the blouses and skirts which they were making. This is a group of fifth and sixth grade Apache Indian girls.

One of the older clothing girls is entering her suit in the "All Wool Contest" December 16. Special assistance was given this girl and her leader with the fitting of her muslin pattern, ordering of fabric and findings.

The assistant home agent visited part of the clubs and gave assistance while she was in the county as a trainee.

## COUNTY 4-H CONTESTS

County contests were set up for all girls 12 years of age or older who wished to try out for judging and demonstrations for the state 4-H Round-up.

The demonstration contest was held one Saturday. Both food and clothing girls participated. 5 girls gave clothing demonstrations, two individual and one team.

The junior and senior judging contest was held one evening in County Extension Office, and adjoining office. Rings set up included 4-H dresses, accessories, wardrobe plan, and ready-made dresses. Rings for the girls 13 years or younger included 4-H dresses, skirts and blouses, aprons, and sewing equipment.

The 10 and 11 year old members were encouraged to participate in the judging contest for the experience.

3 senior girls, 4 junior girls, and 7 younger girls participated in the judging contests.

Assistance was given the girls chosen to demonstrate and to judge at the state 4-H Club Round-up, in smoothing off their demonstrations by the home agent.

The junior and senior clothing judging teams were taken on a tour of stores for increasing their ability to judge ready-to-wear clothes. Two stores were visited -- J. C. Penney's and the Modern Dress Shop. Each girl had to discuss one garment at each store, pointing out the good and poor qualities, and giving recommendations as to whether it was a good buy. The girls then place the garments in the order that they would recommend them as good buys.

#### STATE 4-H ROUND-UP

Nedra Daley modeled her rust corduroy sports outfit - jacket, capri pants and shirt -- at the State 4-H Round-up. She received one of the five blue dress revue ribbons.

Nedra Daley received the gold plaque for giving the best clothing demonstration in the senior demonstration contest. Her demonstration was on "Making a Lined Collar".

Karen Daley and Connie Mickelson received a blue rating on their team demonstration "Methods for Putting in Two Types of Zippers".

Ann Hartnell, Connie Mickelson, and Karen Daley represented the county as the junior clothing judging team. They ranked first as a judging team. Ann was second high individual, Connie fifth high, and Karen eighth high individual judges.

Jan Hartnell, Maryleen Nelson, and Lola Evans represented the county as the senior clothing judging team. They ranked as the third high judging team. Jan was 4th high, Maryleen 5th high, and Lola 12th high individual judges.

The home agent assisted with the clothing judging contests as time keeper.



Mrs. Cressa Nelson leader of the Thatcher Fashion Girls and three of her club members, her daughter, Maryleen and Karen (seated) and Nedra Daley.

### COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT DAY

Each girl exhibited the garments and articles which she had made as a part of her project during the County Achievement Day activities.

30 girls exhibited 111 garments and accessories.

11 first year girls exhibited 40 garments receiving 20 blue, 16 red, and 4 white ratings.

12 second year girls exhibited 46 garments receiving 13 blue, 20 red, and 13 white ratings.

7 advanced clothing girls exhibited 15 articles receiving 7 blue, and 3 white ratings.

Mrs. Maryetta Gaskill, Greenlee County Home Agent judged these exhibits.

11 girls gave 10 clothing demonstrations receiving 7 blue and 3 white ratings. These demonstrations were judged by Mrs. Cleo Scott (Greenlee 4-H leader and home economist); Mrs. Cressa Nelson, Maryleen Nelson and Nedra Daley (Graham County 4-H leader and junior leaders.) Karla Turner served as chairman for the demonstration contest with Karen Daley as her assistant.

During the afternoon program the clothing girls modeled their garments. The club leaders were introduced and they in turn introduced their girls as they modeled their garments.

### STATE FAIR

29 exhibits (14 garments and 15 articles) were sent to state fair for judging and exhibit. 8 blue, 10 red, 10 white, and 5 no-award ratings were given these 29 exhibits. One 11 year girl - Cheryl Nelson - received a blue ribbon on each of her exhibits - blouse, skirt, and garment protector.

### NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

Nedra Daley was chosen to attend the 1957 National 4-H Congress on the basis of her achievement and leadership. Her trip is sponsored by the Santa Fe Railroad.

Nedra also received the girl's railroad scholarship of \$250.00.

Nedra was chosen to represent Arizona and model clothes in the 1958 spring style revue put on by the simplicity pattern company on Sunday evening during the National 4-H congress.

### FOODS

41 girls were enrolled in food projects in five clubs. The following gives information on enrollment and completion of the different food projects: --



Foods I . . . . . 17 enrolled . . . . . 13 completed  
Foods II. . . . . 23 enrolled . . . . . 16 completed  
Preservation by Freezing 1 enrolled . . . . . 1 completed

One leader training meeting was held for the adult and junior leaders. Additional assistance by the agent was given leaders through conferences and club visits.

The home agent attended each club meeting at least twice during the year. The assistant home agent met with two of the clubs while she was in the county.

A leader training meeting on the new 4-H foods projects was conducted by Miss June Gibbs, food specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, on November 22. More emphasis was given to the "Fun in the Kitchen" and "Good Food Makes Good Friends" projects since these are the ones to be carried by the younger girls.

The training meeting was attended by 5 adult and 2 junior leaders.

The home agent arranged for and assisted in conducting the leader training meeting in her apartment.

#### COUNTY CONTESTS

County contests were set up for all foods girls. 10 and 11 year old girls were encouraged to participate for the experience.

The demonstration contest was held one Saturday morning in April. Both food and clothing demonstrations were given by girls who wish to try out for the State 4-H round-up.

The Junior food judging contest was held one night in the hall outside the county extension office. No contest was held for senior foods since there weren't enough senior aged foods girls to make it worth while.

Rings for the junior judging contest consisted of Equipment, Muffins, Table setting, and Basic Seven food selection.

23 girls participated in the junior food judging contest. 14 of the girls were 11 and 10 year olds. One girl had an average score of 100, 6 girls averaged 95.8 (three of these were 11 year olds), 4 others had an average above 91.

The assistant home agent made the muffins, and assisted in setting up and conducting the judging contest.

Assistance was given the three girls chosen to judge at the state

round-up by the home agent.

#### STATE 4-H ROUND-UP

Maryleen Nelson gave a blue ribbon demonstration on "Preparing Raw Vegetables for Serving" in the senior demonstration contest.

Donna Curtis gave a blue ribbon demonstration on "Making Honey Date Bars" in the junior food preparation demonstration contest.

Majorie Pointer gave a white ribbon demonstration on "Preparing Scalloped Potatoes" in the junior dairy food demonstration contest.

Karla Turner gave a white ribbon demonstration on "Preparing Apricots and Strawberries for Freezing" in the senior food preservation contest.

Becky Dodge, Evelyn Nelson, and Majorie Pointer represented the county in the junior food judging contest. As a team they placed seventh in the state. Becky was tenth high individual judge.

#### COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT DAY

Each girl exhibited samples of food she had prepared as a part of her project this year, on the county achievement day.

25 girls exhibited 49 food products -- 35 by 13 first year food girls and 14 by 12 second year girls. One older girl made a frozen food exhibit.

31 of the 49 exhibits received blue ratings; 19 red ratings, and 6 white ratings.

The food exhibits were judged by Miss Jean Stewart, state leader of home economics extension work, University of Arizona.

17 girls gave 15 food demonstrations -- 7 by first year girls, and 8 by second year girls, 6 of the 17 demonstrations received a blue rating, 3 red, and 6 white.

During the afternoon Dress Revue program the food leaders were introduced and they in turn introduced their club members. The Merry Maids and the Busy Maids each sang a group of songs when they were introduced. Barbara Monzingo from the Bonita Club read the poem - "The 4-H Clover and the Rose".

#### STATE FAIR

Three girls sent 14 cookie exhibits to the state fair for judging and exhibits. They received 2 blue, 4 red, and 3 white ratings. 5 exhibits didn't get a rating.

#### NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

Karla Turner was chosen to attend the National 4-H Congress November 28



to December 8 in Chicago as the State food preparation winner.

#### ROOM IMPROVEMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Miss Grace Ryan, home management and furnishing specialist, Agriculture Extension Service, University of Arizona, and the home agent met with the adult and junior leaders of the Thatcher Jolly Janes and Fashion Girls. Project work for the younger and older girls was discussed and suggestions for carrying on their 4-H room improvement projects given. The junior leaders and older girls discussed their own personal problem needs with Miss Ryan. Recommendations were made for their projects during the next two years.



Picture taken during the planning meeting with Miss Ryan. From left to right — Nedra Daley, Maryleen Nelson, Karen Daley, Miss Ryan, Mrs. Melva Mullenaux, Mrs. Cressa Nelson, and the home agent, Mildred Eaton.

#### 4-H ELECTRIC

At the invitation of the county agent the home agent conducted the training on "Light in the Home" for members of the Graham County 4-H Electrical II club during their February meeting.

During the meeting the agent discussed the eye enemies - glare, shadows, lack of sufficient light, and wrong kind of light for the job being done. She used different kinds of bulbs - G-40, new white, frosted, silver tip -- while discussing their construction and use. She showed the club members how each gave out glare or lack of it. The agent also illustrated while discussing the size, shape, and use of shades for different kinds of lamps, and the height and location of a good study light.

#### RECREATION

##### TRI-COUNTY CAMP

20 4-H girls from 7 of the 10 home economics 4-H clubs, one junior leader, one adult leader, and two mothers attended the tri-county 4-H Camp July 22 to 27. This camp was held in cooperation with Greenlee and Cochise Counties in the Chiricahua Mountains near the Wonderland of Rocks.

The home agent planned for and ordered supplies for the Tri-county 4-H camp crafts.

The home agent assisted with the tri-county camp by planning, assembling, and supervising the craft work at camp; counselor for one cabin; assembling and serving food for the four cook-outs, and transporting the food for one of the cook-outs.

Crafts chiefly included basket weaving and making bolo ties. Slides and tips were obtained for the bolo ties from the Tandy Leather Company, Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Double Adobe leaders, and Mrs. Wesley, home agent from Cochise County, Mrs. Burrows and Mrs. Lundell, club mothers, and Karla Turner, junior leader from Graham County, and Miss Sarah Harman, assistant State 4-H leader, assisted the home agent in teaching and supervising craft work at camp.



Picture taken at close of 'Cook-out' lunch at close of the first camp.

## COMMUNITY

### NATIONAL 4-H CLUB WEEK

The home economics clubs reported the following activities during National 4-H Club Week.

The home economics and agriculture clubs in Bylas held a Parents' Night. Articles made by the members were exhibited. The movie — "And Now, Miguel" was shown.

The Thatcher Busy Maids under the leadership of Mrs. Etta Smith and junior leader Karla Turner held a special meeting with their mothers as guests. The purpose of the meeting was to show the parents what the club was doing in 4-H. Karla gave a talk about National 4-H Week. Demonstrations were given on judging muffins, how to fill in record books, on better table manners, on setting the table correctly, and preparation of vegetable relishes. An article reporting this meeting was written by the club reporter and printed in the County Guardian newspaper.

The Thatcher Fashion Girls under the leadership of Mrs. Cressa Nelson, and junior leader Maryleen Nelson observed National 4-H Week with a window display. Their theme was "Improving Family and Community Living by 4-H projects done in the home and on the farm". This was carried out by the use of miniature furniture and figures showing food projects being done in the kitchen, clothing projects and room improvement projects in other rooms. A front yard with lawn and play yard showed home grounds beautification and safety. A play barn complete with animals, and machinery were used to show the agriculture work. The exhibit was backed with a large four leaf clover showing the 4-H's. Green and white paper were used, as needed, to complete the exhibit. All members of the club had a part in preparing and setting up the exhibit.

Since the county agent and home agent were out of the county during the two Saturdays during National 4-H Week, these programs were given by 4-H members. The first one was by the agricultural group, and the last by home economics girls. Maryleen Nelson, junior leader in charge of the program, planned it and invited representatives of the four Thatcher home economics clubs to appear on the program with her. Nedra Daley, junior leader of the Jolly Janes, Andrea Turner from the Busy Maids, and Ina Cheryl Nelson from the Jolly Janes, and Pattie Smith from the Lucky Klovers. Pictures were taken of the Fashion girls window display, and of the group giving the radio program.

### COUNTY FAIR

Mrs. Cressa Nelson, leader of Thatcher Fashion Girls, served as superintendent of the home economics 4-H division of the County Fair. Members of her club assisted with putting up

displays during the judging, and cleaning for the exhibits.



Lola Evans assisted with cleaning, washing show cases, and tacking up background paper for the exhibits.



Nedra Daley assisted during judging of the clothing and placing the garments and articles on display.





Majorie Pointer assisted during judging of 4-H foods and arranging of the exhibits.

Mrs. Melva Mullenaux, leader of Jolly Janes assisted with the accepting of clothing for exhibit and during the judging.

Mrs. Etta Smith, leader of Busy Maids assisted with accepting 4-H foods and during their judging.

Other 4-H leaders and mothers took turns by staying with the exhibits and answering questions.

#### PUBLICITY AND RADIO

Each week information about 4-H and plans for organizing clubs has been gotten out through the newspaper column and over the radio by the home agent. Information was given on how to contact the home agent if any would like to have their daughters in 4-H club work this year. Two letters were written mothers of girls who indicated interest in 4-H, inviting them to the planning meetings.

News articles were written by the home agent for the Graham County Guardian. These articles gave information on meetings, achievements, projects, camp, round-up, contests, fairs and attendance to National 4-H Congress. When possible pictures were used along with the articles.

Karla Turner, Nedra Daley and Don Lundell, delegates to National 4-H Congress, were interviewed over Radio Station KGLU on



November 23 about their 4-H club work.

#### COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Members of the Safford Merry Maids and Lucky Klovers, and the Thatcher Jolly Janes sold Easter Lilies on the streets of Safford and Thatcher the Saturday before Easter. One hundred ten dollars and nine cents was collected for the Crippled children. This was the community project for these two clubs. This was the second year the Lucky Klovers had participated in this project. They are led by Mrs. John Sears. The Merry Maids are led by Mrs. Della Smith.

The sale by the Jolly Janes was under the supervision of their leader Mrs. Mulleneaux and junior leader Nedra Daley.

After the girls had collected their lilies and collection cans, they went to the Valley National Bank where a representative presented each girl with a white felt 4-H Cap to wear during the day. The girls then joined the home agent for her weekly radio program. Each of the 13 girls had an opportunity to contribute something during the program. They told of their Lily sale, projects and club work.

After the radio broadcast the town business area was divided up between the girls for selling their lilies.

The Fashion Girls sponsored the safety taping of bicycles in the Thatcher area, raising money for rent on recreation hall for county award's meeting, and making it possible for less fortunate girls to carry on project work.